

**UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT
WESTERN DISTRICT OF TEXAS
AUSTIN DIVISION**

**UNITED STATES OF AMERICA,
*PLAINTIFF,***

V.

**GREG ABBOTT, IN HIS CAPACITY AS
GOVERNOR OF THE STATE OF TEXAS, AND
THE STATE OF TEXAS,
*DEFENDANTS.***

No. 1:23-Cv-00853-DAE

THE STATE OF TEXAS’S UNOPPOSED MOTION TO WITHDRAW COUNSEL

Defendants Greg Abbott, in his official capacity as Governor of Texas and the State of Texas file this Unopposed Motion to Withdraw Ryan D. Walters and would respectfully show the following:

Ryan Walters has accepted a position within the Office of the Attorney General of Texas but outside of the Special Litigation Division handling this litigation.

Defendants will continue to be represented by Ryan Kercher, David Bryant, Johnathan Stone, Zachary Berg, Munera Al-Fuhaid, Kyle Tebo, and Mark Csoros.

For the reasons stated above, Defendants Greg Abbott, in his official capacity as Governor of Texas and the State of Texas respectfully request that the Court grant this Unopposed Motion to Withdraw Ryan D. Walters as Counsel and remove Mr. Walters from all further electronic notifications regarding this case.

Date: January 31, 2025

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CERTIFICATE OF CONFERENCE

I certify that on January 30, 2025, I conferred via email with counsel for Plaintiff, Brian Lynk of the U.S. Department of Justice, Environmental & Natural Resources Division, Environmental Defense Section, regarding the relief requested in this motion. Counsel for Plaintiff stated that they do not oppose the motion.

/s/ David Bryant
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CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I certify that a true and accurate copy of the foregoing document was filed electronically (via CM/ECF) on January 31, 2025 and that all counsel of record were served by CM/ECF.

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